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TOWN OF ABINGDON

COUNCIL WORK SESSION

MONDAY, AUGUST 6, 2007 – 5:30 P.M.

DOWNSTAIRS MEETING ROOM – MUNICIPAL BUILDING

A work session of the Abingdon Town Council was held on Monday, August 6, 2007 at 5:30 p.m. in the downstairs meeting room of the Municipal Building.

A. ROLL CALL

Members of Council Present: Mayor Lois H. Humphreys

Mr. Robert M. Howard, Vice Mayor

Dr. French H. Moore, Jr.

Mr. Edward B. Morgan

Mrs. Cathy Lowe

Administrative Staff: Gregory W. Kelly, Town Manager

Cecile Rosenbaum, Town Clerk

Garrett Jackson, Director of Planning

Jim Smith, Director of Wastewater Operations/Town Engineer

John Dew, Director of Public Services /Construction

John Elliott, Econ.Dev. Coordinator/Grants Writer

Guests: Steve Weston, L.B. Atkins, Edward Cozart

The following items were discussed:

- The location of an asphalt plant in Washington County, Virginia.
- Public Hearing regarding request for Special Use Permit
for the use of a museum to be located at 170 East Main Street, Abingdon.
- Public Hearing regarding request for application to rezone property
located between Colonial Road and West Main Street from M-1 to B-2.
- Request for location of a
marker at the Dunn's Meadow property.
- Request to rescind and re-bid the brush truck for the Department of Public Works.
- Consideration of scheduling September Council meeting as Labor Day Holiday falls on September 3rd.
- Item I-1 regarding Ordinance to amend the zoning map.
- Consideration of appointments to Board of Zoning
Appeals, IDA, and Dunn's Meadow Oversight Committee.
- Mr. Morgan commented on the
benefits of the Planning Workshop at the Incubator.
- Dr. Moore asked that the request for a generator at the Incubator be
added for consideration by the Council at their work session on September 15th.
- Mr. Kelly informed the Council members that the Farmer's Market will open at the new location

on Saturday, August 11th with Tomato Fest and added
that plans are underway for a formal dedication in September.

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- Mr. Howard commented that the
Fire Department would celebrate its 200th anniversary in 2008.
- Mr. Howard inquired about the newly acquired buses from District 3.
- Mrs. Lowe commented that she had visited with
Mr. Moor, a downtown merchant and owner of Tranquil Gems.
- Mr. Kelly commented that he also had met with Mr. Moor of Tranquil Gems.
- Steve Weston was invited to speak to the Council members regarding
his opposition to the location of an asphalt plant in Washington County.
- Edward Cozart was invited to speak to the Council members
regarding his request to rezone his property on 775 Colonial Road.

Lois H. Humphreys, Mayor

Cecile M. Rosenbaum, Clerk